

Air Force Prime Time, a weekly news magazine for and about airmen stationed overseas, airs Thursday evenings at 8:25 p.m. Central European Time on AFN television. In this week's edition, visit finance without leaving the desk, Delta's smaller planes carry their share of AF mission and more.



News briefs

Accident causes death

A memorial service for Tech. Sgt. Keith Slingluff, 23rd Fighter Squadron, took place Tuesday in the Spangdahlem Air Base Chapel.

Slingluff, a dedicated crew chief, died after being struck by a vehicle while walking along a rural road. The accident occurred near Arenrath at about 5 a.m. Saturday.

The accident is under investigation by Air Force and German authorities.

Wing family days

The 52nd Fighter Wing commander declared April 13 and 16 as wing family days.

No newspaper Good Friday

Because of the Easter holidays, there will be no Eifel Times April 13. The next issue will be April 20. The deadline to submit items for the April 20 issue is April 11.

Bitburg Annex phones change

All military phone numbers and prefixes change at 5 p.m. today for the Bitburg Annex, except for the medical group.

Although the 52nd Medical Group will use the new DSN prefix, 452, its commercial city code (0656169) and last four numbers will remain the same.

FSC closes

The Spangdahlem Air Base Family Support Center closes through Monday for renovations. People can visit the Bitburg Annex Family Support Center location in building 2001 for assistance or call 452-9491 for more information.

Bank closes

Community Bank closes April 13-14 and 16 for the Easter holidays. Call the bank at 06565-4142 for details.

Easter meal

The Mosel Dining Hall serves an Easter meal

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Eifel Times

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Staff Sgt. Tim Cook

Hawks return home

Capt. Darin Booth, 23rd Fighter Squadron pilot, holds Jaxin as the rest of his family -- wife, Jaycee, Morgan (hugging) and Madison -- welcomes him home Sunday from the unit's Air Expeditionary Force-2 deployment to Saudia Arabia. The 23rd FS left in December for 120 days in the desert, which it split into two 60-day stints.

Board addresses rumors surrounding consolidation

By Edward Gavagan
Eifel School Board member

School district consolidation and the transfer of Eifel schools highlighted the Spangdahlem Air Base school board open meeting March 21 in the Bitburg Middle School.

During the next two years, Eifel schools are scheduled to transfer to the Kaiserslautern district. Although the final composition of the reorganization is still in the works, there will be about 45 positions gained for distribution among all the remaining districts, according to Linda Curtis, Brussels District assistant superintendent.

Civil engineers also briefed on the Rhein-Main Air Base closure and reorganization. Capt. Bill Hoover said the impact on Spangdahlem AB takes place in 2005 with the addition of about 200 civilian and military members to the base. He

recommended people visit the base intranet site at intranet.ccrwingtransitionoffice@spangdahlem.af.mil or call 452-7697 for more information.

Board members also discussed school staffing standards for the 2001/2002 academic year. Members encouraged parents to enroll their children as soon as possible since numbers are the key to keeping current staffing. Dr. Ronald McIntire, Brussels District superintendent, emphasized staff levels are set by Congress as a part of the Defense Department budget.

During the meeting, board members cleared up rumors about closing or consolidating Eifel schools, explaining that any decision of this type will only take place after there has been a thorough study and community review. Neither has happened.

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Recent testing confirms excessive lead level in drinking water

Compiled from staff reports

During February, the bioenvironmental engineering flight confirmed lead levels in the Spangdahlem Air Base water system exceed the Status of Forces Agreement standards.

The findings came about from another round of drinking water sampling of the Spangdahlem AB water system, according to Maj. Mark Smallwood, bioenvironmental engineering flight commander.

The results compare to those identified last fall, which

triggered an immediate response by the base, Smallwood said. Since then, bioenvironmental and civil engineers have teamed together to determine and implement the best method of treating the water.

In addition, CE installed water filters at both Spangdahlem elementary and middle schools. Smallwood said these filters are effective at removing any lead present.

Lead can cause damage to the brain, nervous system, blood cells and kidneys, he explained. These health effects occur in adults when water is consumed over a period of years. Young children, infants and pregnant women can be

affected more quickly and severely because of the rapid development of young bodies.

Smallwood emphasized people can make their water safe by allowing it to run from the tap until it reaches its coldest temperature before drinking. Hot water shouldn't be used for cooking, drinking or preparing baby formula because the higher temperature can allow greater amounts of lead to dissolve in the water.

For more information, call Capt. Timothy Allmann in the bioenvironmental flight at 452-8346 or 452-8348.



Senior Airman Jennifer Lindsey

Another brick in the wall

Airman 1st Class Aaron Mills, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron structural apprentice, lays cinder block. After nearly a year in the squadron, Mills said working with the 52nd CES at Spangdahlem Air Base is a good assignment because the workload keeps him busy and the unit provides him good construction experience.

Accidents

By Senior Airman Kassandra Watts
52nd Security Forces Squadron
Reports and analysis

A 1996 Toyota Corolla traveling west on B-50 lost control trying to negotiate a curve because the driver was going too fast for road conditions. As a result, the vehicle spun 90 degrees and slid straight into the ditch. The vehicle sustained damage and was towed from the scene.

Another American driver operating a 1999 Chevrolet Malibu on B-50 heading toward Spangdahlem Air Base

lost control of his vehicle struck a guardrail and came to rest in the eastbound lane. When the driver stepped out of his vehicle to estimate the damage, another vehicle hit the Chevrolet. Both vehicles involved in the accident sustained disabling damage. Thirty-five feet of bent guardrail and three road signs were damaged as well. Injuries were reported.

The majority of the Eifel area accidents have resulted from wet roads. The American Automotive

Association basic driving safety book suggests drivers choose a speed consistent with the amount of water on the road. At 30 miles per hour or less, properly inflated tires with good tread will maintain contact. Even brand new tires will lose some contact at 35 mph. At 60 mph, water may separate the tire from the road, causing hydroplaning. To reduce the chances of hydroplaning, slow down, avoid hard braking or hard turns, drive in the tracks of the car in front and increase the following distance.

Pilot ejects safely prior to F-16 crash

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — First Lt. Mark Hadley ejected safely as his F-16 Fighting Falcon crashed into the sea off northern Japan Monday.

Hadley, who is assigned to the 13th Fighter Squadron, and his aircraft were a part of an air-to-ground combat training exercise at Ripsaw Range in Japan at the time of the crash.

The fighter plunged into the sea about 12 miles northeast of the base. A Japanese navy helicopter rescued Hadley about 30 minutes after the crash.

A board of officers will investigate the accident. (Air Force Print News courtesy of Pacific Air Forces News Service)



Courtesy photo

First Lt. Mark Hadley was rescued by the Japan Maritime Self Defense Force after his F-16 crashed.

Board

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Many other issues were discussed, including the progress of the school board Web page. Lt. Col. Drew Fallis, board member and school board Web page designer, demonstrated how the intranet site works. The page, which is located at

intranet.spangdahlem.af.mil, the page contains local school and school board information, membership regulations, meeting schedules, current hot topics, school board by-laws, meeting minutes and more.

Soon after, the board addressed the permanent assignment of assistant principles

in base middle schools and in Bitburg High School. Chief Master Sgt. Mike Holas, board member and meeting chairman, explained current policy is specific and based on school census. Following lengthy discussions including audience input, a recommendation was made for DODEA review current directives and consider

providing primary staffing guidance to a level returning assistant principles to all schools.

The next public school board meeting takes place at 6 p.m. May 15. The location will be determined closer to the meeting date.

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3-6 p.m. April 15 for all identification card holders. For more information, call 452-6727.

Vendor day

The 52nd Contracting Squadron annual vendor day takes place 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 18 in the Eifelstern at the former Bitburg Air Base.

Local vendors, resource advisers, IMPAC holders, squadron commanders, quality assurance evaluators and other people interested in government contracting are invited to attend. For more information, call Capt. Vanessa Grant, 52nd CONS director of business programs, at 452-9495.

CCAF graduation

The base education office closes at noon April 18 for a Community College of the Air Force graduation ceremony that takes place at 2 p.m. in the Spang Club. Call 452-6063 for more information.

Bitburg Annex LE desk numbers

The phone numbers for the Bitburg Annex law enforcement desk change at 5 p.m. today. Security forces asks people to call the Spangdahlem Air Base LE desk at 452-6666 or 06565-61-6666 starting at 5 p.m. until the telephone system upgrade is complete at about 6 p.m.

Afterward, the new phone number for the Bitburg Annex LE desk is 452-9400 or 06565-61-9400.

Clinics close

All medical outpatient clinics, including pharmacies, laboratories, radiology labs and the immunization clinic, close at 3 p.m. April 20 for training. Non-emergency patients should call the 52nd Medical Group nurse triage line at 0800-825-1600 or the primary care manager line at 452-3444 concerning medical questions.

REDUX briefings

Career Status Bonus, or REDUX retirement, briefings take place at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. April 25, at 8 a.m. May 9, and at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. May 23 in the Bitburg Annex building 2001. For more information, call the family support center at 452-6422.

'Tip of the Hat'

When outdoors, salutes are exchanged upon recognition between officers and warrant officers, and between officers or warrant officers and cadets or enlisted members of U.S. and NATO armed forces.

The junior member initiates the salute in time to allow the senior member to return it. Superiors carrying items in both hands need not return the salute, but they should nod in return or verbally acknowledge the salute. If junior members are carrying items in both hands, verbal greetings should be exchanged.

This information and more on the standards of dress and appearance, and customs and courtesies is contained in Air Force Instruction 36-2903, Spangdahlem Air Base Supplement 1 and Air Force Manual 36-2203.

Units, individuals earn Air Force, command awards

Compiled from staff reports

Air Force officials recently announced the 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office as the 2000 PA Director's Excellence Award in Internal Information winner.

U.S. Air Forces in Europe officials also recently announced unit and individual award winners in safety, food service, aircraft maintenance, volunteer support, maintenance professional, command and control, theater air control systems and life support for 2000.

Safety

■ 52nd FW, explosives safety award

Food service

■ 852nd Munitions Support Squadron, Buechel Air Base, small unit Hennessy trophy

Aircraft maintenance

■ Maj. Nathan Lyden, 52nd MUNSS, Kleine Brogel Air Base, Belgium, field-grade manager

USAFE Joan Orr Air Force Spouse of the Year

■ Donna Jarvis, spouse of Master Sgt. Mark Jarvis, 52nd MUNSS

Maintenance professional

■ Tech. Sgt. Gregory Rogers, 52nd Component Repair Squadron NCO

■ Senior Airman Kyle Mickelsen, 23rd Fighter Squadron airman

Command and control

■ 52nd MUNSS, munitions support squadron command post of the year

Theater air control systems

■ Capt. Preston Kise, 606th Air Control Squadron, air battle manager

■ Senior Master Sgt. Michael Murray, 606th ACS, aerospace control and warning



Staff Sgt. Cindy Maier

In control

Senior Master Sgt. Jeffrey Branch, command post superintendent for the 52nd Munitions Support Squadron at Kleine Brogel Air Base, Belgium, holds a staff meeting in the command cell. Branch was recently named the Air Force Senior NCO Command Post Controller of the Year. "I feel like being stationed here won this award for me," he said. "I have a lot of opportunities I wouldn't have had at a main operating base, and that makes it all worth it." The 52nd MUNSS is a geographically separated unit attached to the 52nd Logistics Group.

technician senior NCO

■ Senior Master Sgt. Kevin Swenson, 606th ACS, tactical air command and control communicator senior NCO

■ Senior Airman John Hoffman, 606th ACS, TACS support professional airman

Life support

■ Tech. Sgt. Patrick Raymong, 52nd Operations Support Squadron, outstanding life support NCO

Third Air Force officials recently announced the following individuals as annual award winners:

■ Tech. Sgt. Fredrick Soechting, 52nd Operations Support Squadron, non-commissioned officer of the year

■ Senior Master Sgt. Brooke McLean, 52nd FW plans, senior NCO of the year

Officials from the 52nd FW announced recent individual award winners and

achievements in leadership, professionalism and innovation.

Golden Wheels competition

■ Tech. Sgt. Donald Jenkins, 23rd FS, first place, general purpose

■ Airman Tracy Thompson, 52nd Supply Squadron petroleum, oil and lubricants flight, first place, special purpose

IDEA award

■ Master Sgt. David Nearbin, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron, \$200

■ Staff Sgt. Michael Denoncour, 52nd CRS, \$200

■ Senior Airman Christopher Strickland, 52nd EMS, \$200

Officer Training School selects

■ Staff Sgt. William Koch, 81st FS

■ Senior Airman Gabriel Gonzalez, 52nd Medical Operations Squadron

Direct commissioning

■ Senior Airman Kelli Bonyeau, 52nd Mission Support Squadron

Stripes for Exceptional Performers promotion

■ Tech. Sgt. Jeremy Sutfin, 752nd MUNSS, Volkel AB, the Netherlands, promoted March 10

Below-the-zone promotions

■ Airman 1st Class William Richardson, 752nd MUNSS

■ Airman 1st Class William B. Mobley IV, 606th ACS

NCO Academy 2001-2

■ Tech. Sgt. Brian Cooke, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron, John Levitow award

Air Force Sergeants Association

■ Airman 1st Class Delone Rush, 606th ACS, first-term airman of the year

Spangdahlem units earn annual media awards

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany — The winners of the 45th annual Air Force print and broadcast media contest for 2000 were announced March 28 by the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force in Washington, D.C. Spangdahlem Air Base garnered awards in several categories, as did Air Force Prime Time.

Print media winners are:

■ Military-funded newspaper (large): (2nd place): Eifel

Times, 52nd Fighter Wing

Broadcast winners are:

■ Radio entertainment program: (2nd place - tie): Eifel 105 Morning Show, Air Force News Detachment 9, Spangdahlem AB

■ Television sports report: (2nd place): Senior Airman J.C. Spiva, AFNEWS Det. 9, Spangdahlem AB

■ Command Information Campaign: (1st place): AFNEWS Det. 9, Spangdahlem AB

■ Regional television newscast: (1st place): Air Force Prime Time, AFNEWS Det. 4, Ramstein AB

All first-place winners in each category will represent the Air Force in the Department of Defense's Thomas Jefferson awards competition in April. (USAFE News Service)

Communications squadron airman takes top honors at leadership school

By Staff Sgt. Mary Snead
Pitsenbarger Airman Leadership School

Senior Airman Jamey Vangelder, 52nd Communications Squadron, took top honors among 47 other graduates of Airman Leadership School, Class 01-4.

Distinguished graduates are Senior Airman Jennifer Johnson, 52nd Medical Group, Jason Abashire, NATO Air Base Geilenkirchen, Manuel Lara, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron, and Leslie Brandt, 23rd Fighter Squadron.

Brandt was also presented the leadership award and Johnson the academic achievement award during the March 29

graduation ceremony. Remaining senior airmen graduating are:

Eagle Flight

■ Jeramie Hill, flight leader from the 606th Air Control Squadron; Travis George, 23rd FS; Danielle Alexander, 52nd MDG; Charles Bailey, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron; Eric Bailey, 52nd EMS; James Blakely, 23rd FS; Sean Beckrich, 52nd Component Repair Squadron; Andrew Campos, 52nd CES; Khamfong Intavixay, 852nd Munitions Support Squadron, Buechel Air Base; Cody Nelson, 52nd MDG; Maria Schildan, 52nd EMS; Altamese Sutton, 22nd Fighter

Squadron; and Barrington Taylor, 52nd Mission Support Squadron.

Falcon Flight

■ Joseph Armijo, flight leader from the 22nd FS; Kristina Evener, NATO Air Base Geilenkirchen; Heather Carr, 22nd FS; Jonathan Colp, 852nd MUNSS; Jeannie Cortez, 52nd MDG; Sonja Fonseca, 52nd MDG; Chad Gygi, 22nd FS; Aaron Jewitt, 606th ACS; Jeffrey Kistler, 52nd CS; Kyle Mason, 52nd CES; Matthew Null, 752nd Munitions Support Squadron, Vokel Air Base, the Netherlands; William Saunders, 52nd CRS; Donald Shutters, 81st Fighter Squadron; Kevin Smith, 52nd EMS; and

Kendrick Wright, 52nd EMS.

Warthog Flight

■ Edward Watson, class leader from the 52nd Supply Squadron; David L. Sanders Jr., flight leader from NATO AB Geilenkirchen; Antonio Cousin, 52nd EMS; Isaiah Adams, 852nd MUNSS; Joshua Correia, 22nd FS; Jackie Counts, 52nd CRS; Eric Dorfner, 52nd EMS; Lillie Fluker, 23rd FS; Kider Gariston, 81st FS; Jason Hayes, 52nd Transportation Squadron; Jason Herman, 52nd MDG; Toby Parlet, 52nd EMS; Christopher Strickland, 52nd EMS; Lonnie Vandevander, 52nd EMS; and Aimee Zick, 52nd Comptroller Squadron.

Program provides jobs for teens during summer

By Tech. Sgt. Rich Romero
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

Civilian personnel offers area teens the opportunity to gain work experience while getting paid for five weeks during the summer.

Through the Summer Hire Program, teens age 14 and older work full time in Air Force organizations throughout Spangdahlem Air Base and Bitburg Annex.

"The program not only allows our youth to earn money, but also gives them the chance to train with people who manage the daily business of the military and possibly combine their academic study with the on-the-job experience this summer," said Annie Herbert, civilian personnel officer.

To be eligible, students must:

- Be U.S. citizens with valid social security numbers
- Possess a U.S. passport with a Status of Forces Agreement stamp
- Be on the military sponsor's orders (command sponsored)
- Live with the military sponsor in the commuting area
- Be in good standing with their respective school
- Have parents written consent to work (if younger than 18)
- Be 14 years old by June 25.

Students of German nationals, locally hired U.S. civilians (such as Department of Defense Dependent Schools employees) and those not in good standing in school aren't eligible to take part in the program.



Last year, about 140 students worked during the summer. . . at least 100 this year.

Jonne No

Civilian personnel accepts applications, available only in building 151 on Spangdahlem AB, Monday through May 11. Applications will be accepted after this date, but students who applied before May 11 will be placed first, Herbert said. In addition, students age 16 and older receive priority.

Civilian personnel requests organizations identify how many students it would like to employ, where they will work within the organization, they type of work and name mentors for students. Send requests to Jonne No, summer hire coordinator, or Ilse Campbell, alternate coordinator, by May 1.

"Students will not be allowed to work in the same flight where their parents are employed," Herbert said.

Summer hires work June 25 through July 27, typically performing clerical or labor-type tasks, according to No. Last year, about 140 students worked during the summer. She expects to place at least 100 this year. Students earned \$5 an hour in 2000; however, this year's wages have yet to be determined. For more information, call No or Campbell at 452-6080 or 452-6884.



Senior Airman Kimberlie Drews

All aboard

Staff Sgt. Patrick Darnell, a cargo loader with the 52nd Transportation Squadron, allows Hailey Cougler to test the horn on a vehicle during the the Spangdahlem Elementary School Transportation Day March 30.

Spangdahlem fourth-grader takes second in art contest

Another student earns mention in Armed Services YMCA event

By Andree Swanson
Special to the American Forces Press Service

SPRINGFIELD, Va. - A fourth-grade daughter of a Spangdahlem Air Base school teacher caught the attention of judges in the sixth annual Armed Services YMCA art contest.

Priscilla Karamzadeh, daughter of Barbara and Kianoosh Karamzadeh, earned second place and a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond in the Defense Department civilian category.

A third-grade Air Force girl captured top honors with her pencil drawing of her family's reunion after a deployment.

Heather Burke, daughter of Air Force Staff Sgt. Robert and Marietta Burke of Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, won a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond and will be featured on a poster for National Military Family Week, Nov. 18-25 this year.

More than 2,200 children from kindergarten to sixth grade entered this year's contest, a record number of entries. Winners from all five services and the National Guard will be placed on the poster. Besides Heather, they are:

- Navy: Maureen Argo, second grade, daughter of Cmdr. Michael and Margaret Argo of Stuttgart, Germany.
- Army: Krizzia Castro, third grade, daughter of Staff Sgt. Omar and Veronica Castro of Fort Riley, Kan.



Heather Burke's award winning drawing. The art of Spangdahlem Air Base's second place winner was unavailable as of press time.

■ Marine Corps: Angelica Gates, sixth grade, daughter of Staff Sgt. Stephan and Gina Gates of Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, S.C.

■ National Guard: Dane Krull, fifth grade, son of Maj. Rich and Stephanie Krull of Indiana Air National Guard.

■ Coast Guard: Keeya Singer, third grade, daughter of Chief Petty Officer Douglas and Vicki Singer of Humboldt Bay, Calif.

Second-place winners receive a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond. In addition to the services, a child of a Defense Department civilian is also recognized.

■ Navy: Elizabeth Argo, third grade, daughter of Cmdr. Michael and Margaret Argo of Stuttgart, Germany.

■ Coast Guard: Amanda Dean, sixth grade, daughter of Cmdr. Gerald and Kathryn Dean of Stuttgart, Germany.

■ Air Force: Maximilian Frazier, first grade, son of Master Sgt. Timothy and Manuela Frazier of F.E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyo.

■ National Guard: T.J. McClelland, third grade, son of Tech. Sgt. Pamela and Thomas McClelland of Indiana Air National Guard.

■ Army: Monica Paik, sixth grade, daughter of Staff Sgt. Kenneth Paik and Linda Kim of Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii.

■ Marine Corps: Kierra Spivey, fifth grade, daughter of Staff Sgt. Kevin and Johnetta Spivey of Parris Island, S.C.

Kathrina Graham, fourth-grade daughter of Master Sgt. Edward (606th Air Control Squadron) and Susan Graham from Spangdahlem AB, earned honorable mention.

All first- and second-place artwork may be viewed at the Armed Services YMCA Web page at www.asymca.org.

The Armed Services YMCA and GEICO insurance sponsor the annual National Military Family Week poster art contest. The week recognizes the contributions and sacrifices of military families in support of their service member. For more information, contact the Armed Services YMCA at 703-866-1260, or send e-mail to militaryfamilyweek@asymca.org. (Andree Swanson works for the Armed Services YMCA in Springfield, Va.)



Community Mailbox

Spring fashions

The Spangdahlem Air Base Main Exchange spring fashion show takes place 2-3 p.m. Saturday. Call 452-7017 for details.

Mainz trip

An all ranks, unaccompanied airmen trip to Mainz, Germany, takes place Saturday. Members must be single or unaccompanied and working in a shop supporting people deployed or TDY in excess of 30 continuous days.

Departure time is 7 a.m. and estimated return time is 9 p.m. Trip includes transportation only. Call the family support center at 452-6422 for details.

School news

■New phone numbers are 452-9215 or 9131 for Bitburg Elementary School; 452-9110 or 9332 for Bitburg Middle School; 452-9337 or 9438 for Bitburg High School.

■Spangdahlem Elementary School registration takes place 8:30-11:30 a.m. April 16-20. For more information, call 452-6881.

■During April, students, parents and teachers will be asked to respond to questions about the Department of Defense Dependent Schools. Survey results allow schools, districts and areas to make improvements in the education services provided to DODDS students. The surveys are brief and should take less than 20 minutes to complete, and are administered via the Intranet. For more information, go to www.brus-dso.ododedea.edu.

Chapel schedule

■Catholic - Regular Sunday worship Mass, no CCD; 7 p.m. Mass in the Bitburg



Senior Airman Jennifer Lindsey

Eye of the beholder

Juan Murillo, Saber's Edge Sports Store sales clerk, stocks racquetball goggles on the store shelves. The store, located behind the Spangdahlem Air Base fitness center, sells year-round and seasonal sporting equipment.

Annex Chapel Thursday; 3 p.m. liturgy in the Spangdahlem AB Chapel April 13; 9 p.m. vigil Mass in the Bitburg Annex Chapel April 14; regular Sunday Mass April 15, but no CCD; 6 p.m. confirmation in the Spangdahlem AB Chapel April 17.

■Protestant - 11:30 a.m. Sunday school in Bitburg High School, no Sunday school at Spangdahlem AB and regular Sunday worship services Palm Sunday; 7 p.m. worship service in the Spangdahlem AB Chapel Thursday; 9:45 a.m. Sunday school in the Spangdahlem AB Chapel and 11:30 a.m. in Bitburg High School, and regular Sunday worship April 15.

AAFES holiday hours

All Army and Air Force Exchange Service barber, beauty and alteration shops, and Car Care Centers close April 13 and 16 for Easter.

Commissary closures

Both commissaries close April 15, and the Bitburg Annex commissary only closes April 16 to observe Easter. For more information, call 452-9135.

Talent show

The U.S. Air Forces in Europe regional youth talent competition takes place at 7 p.m. April 13 in the Spangdahlem Skyline Theater. Contestants from throughout the command come to compete for the USAFE title. For more information, call the community center at 452-7381 or 452-6567.

ITT moves

Information, Tickets and Tours on the Bitburg Annex moves into the Eifel Spotlight April 14. Prizes will be given away 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., including trips to Spain, London and Paris. ITT closes today until the reopening.

Volunteer recognition

The 52nd Fighter Wing Volunteer Recognition Ceremony takes place at 11 a.m. April 27 in the Saber Club. For reservations, call Jackie Abell at 452-9491 by Tuesday.

Family support center news

The following classes take place in building 307 on Spangdahlem Air Base. Call 452-6422 for details or to register.

■Singles chili dinner in Dormitory 335 5-7 p.m. Monday.

■Deployment briefings 8-9 a.m. Tuesday, April 17 and 24.

■Sponsorship training 3-4 p.m. April 19.

■Four-session German culture and language workshop 6-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

■Singles chili dinner in Dormitory 134 5-7 p.m. Monday.

■Spouse orientation 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 13.

The following class takes place in building 2001 on the Bitburg Annex. Call 452-9491 for details or to register.

■Mommy and Me craft time 9-10 a.m. Monday.

■Deployment briefings, 8-9 a.m. Wednesday, April 18 and 25.

Learning new skills

The 52nd Services Squadron skills development center offers the following classes in April in Bitburg Annex building 2002. Call 452-9316 for details or to register.

■Cake decorating 6-7:30 p.m. April 17 and 19. Cost is \$30.

■Basket weaving 5-9 p.m. Thursday and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 17. Cost is \$25, plus \$15 for supplies.

■Tole painting 6-8 p.m. April 25. Cost is \$15.

The following classes take place in Spangdahlem Air Base building 189. Call 452-6841 for details or to register.

■Auto mechanics 5-7 p.m. Wednesday and April 18. Cost is \$20.



Photos by Iris Reiff

A variety of colorful Easter art includes eggs of all sizes, some depicting lady bugs, rabbits, flowers and more.



Edith Pallien, owner of the Dudeldorf art pavilion, sorts items for display.



Decorated Easter eggs hang from trees as well as being displayed on tables.

Dudeldorf art exhibit brings Easter to life

By Iris Reiff
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

Art lovers may consider stopping at a small art pavilion in Dudeldorf to find an Easter exhibition that takes place 2-6 p.m. today through Sunday.

Many visitors, including tour groups, go there to admire the detailed artwork which all relates to the Easter season. Hand-painted eggs of all sizes originate from various countries, including Africa. The eggs display beautiful designs or silhouettes.

At the exhibition, people can also find Easter wreaths, bunny rabbits, nicely decorated bouquet arrangements, baskets

and more. The international artists paid great attention to detail.

A visit to the exhibition helps give people the feeling Easter is just around the corner.

To get to the pavilion, take the first road into Dudeldorf coming from Spangdahlem Air Base. Continue driving on this road until the entry of the courtyard where the pavilion is located.

Dudeldorf is a charming Eifel village with a nice pedestrian zone between the two arches. A couple of pubs, an excellent restaurant and a bakery can be found there as well.



Out and about



■Trier's annual wine and gourmet festival takes place through Sunday. For details, visit the German language Web site at www.wein-festival.de.

■Visit a flea market Sunday inside and outside the Bernkastel-Kues Gueter hall; inside and outside the Kroeve Halle; in front of the Schweich Edeka Neukauf store; at the Trier Messepark fair grounds; in front of the Ramstein Euro Market store; and in front of the Wiesbaden Wal-Mart.

■Learn how World War II affected the Eifel region at an exhibition through April 22 in the Speicher Heimat museum. The event is open 2-4 p.m. Sunday and 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday. Call 06562-20023 for details or to register for a group visit. The museum is located across the street from the Speicher town hall on Jacobstrasse.

■Listen to pop music at the Snail's House CD-release party with special guest, "Ex Klimaschocker Die Gummibaerchen," at 7:30 tonight in the Trier Tuchfabrik cultural center. For details call 0651-7182410.

■Entertainment for the entire family can be found right outside the gate at the Gondorf Eifel Park, which recently reopened for the 2001 season. Detailed information about the park, the different types of animals and entertainment will be printed in an upcoming issue of the Eifel Times.

■Art lovers can admire an art show with paintings by numerous artists from throughout the country in the Trier Simeonstift city museum, located near the Porta Nigra. Subjects relate to the 1930s. Visit the museum's Web site at www.museum-trier.de for details. The show is open daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

■See "Evita," a musical by Andrew Lloyd Webber, April 21 in Trier. For details, call 0651-145990.

■Pop Meets Classic is the title for a concert at 8 p.m. April 28 in the Schweich Stefan-Andres hall. The ticket price ranges from 26 to 46 DM. Call 0651-61071 for tickets and details.

■Listen to ska and punk music performed by Mad Caddies and Fabulous Disaster at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Trier Aula Berufsschule (technical school).

■See the Schwab Ensemble performing ballads at 8 p.m. April 21 in the Bitburg Beda Haus cultural center. Tickets are 35 DM and are available by calling 06561-6001-144 or 145.

■Reserve tickets for the German Bundeswehr military corps concert April 28 in the Hettenrodt Zirkuszelt. For details, call 0651-145990.

■A rock concert featuring Hexenrock in Hettenrodt with Fury in the Slaughterhouse. Kon Chauvi, Snail's House and Life takes place at 7 p.m. April 30 at the Hettenrodt Zirkuszelt. For details, call 06781-3421 or 06781-33247. Tickets can also be obtained by calling 0651-145990.

■See the Olgam Miksche Art Collegium International Show, featuring art by Alexandra Harris, Albert Enocq, Jacques Feron, Jacki Colson and Hans-Dieter Mues through Sunday in the Bitburg Beda Haus cultural center.

■Listen to a mixture of rock, pop and blues music by Thomas Schwab & Band at 8 p.m. April 19 in the Bernkastel-Kues Gueter hall; at 8 p.m. April 20 in the Wittlich Synagogue; at 8

p.m. April 21 in the Bitburg Beda Haus cultural center; at 8 p.m. May 2 in the Trier Tufa cultural center; and at 8 p.m. May 6 in the Schweich Synagogue. Additional concerts take place outside the local area. For details or to reserve a ticket, call 06531-94407.

Information, Tickets and Tours offers the following tours in April. Call the Spangdahlem Air Base Community Activities Center at 452-6567 or the Bitburg Annex community center at 452-9120 for details.

■Paris overnight Saturday and Sunday. Cost is \$185 for adults, \$130 for children 3-12.

■Keukenhof and Madurodam, Holland, Saturday. Cost is \$75 for adults, \$65 for children ages 4-12.

■Disneyland Paris Saturday. Cost is \$75 adults, \$65 for children ages 4-12.

■Best of Holland April 13. Cost is \$69 for adults and children ages 4-12.

Movies

All movies play at 7 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Bitburg Castle

Tonight

3,000 Miles To Graceland (R)

A group of ex-cons plan to rob a Las Vegas casino during an Elvis-impersonator convention, which serves as cover.

Saturday

3,000 Miles to Graceland

Sunday

Thirteen Days (PG-13)

This film is set during the two-week Cuban missile crisis in October 1962, and it centers on how President John F. Kennedy, Attorney General Robert Kennedy and others handled the explosive situation.

Closed Monday and Tuesday

Wednesday

Double Take (PG-13)

Thursday

What Women Want (PG-13)

Nick gets a whole new outlook on life when a fluke accident gives him the ability to read women's minds. Despite his best efforts, he finds himself falling in love and ultimately understanding what women want.

Spangdahlem Skyline

Tonight

The Mexican (R)

A man tries to transport an ancient gun called The Mexican, believed to carry a curse, back across the border, while his girlfriend pressures him to give up his criminal way.

Saturday

The Mexican

Sunday

The Mexican

Monday

The Pledge (R)

Detective Jerry Black, a retiring police chief in a small town has made a promise he can't break. He's pledged to a mother that he will catch the killer of her young daughter.

Tuesday

Cast Away (PG-13)

An express mail systems engineer whose personal and professional life are ruled by the clock, must transform himself physically and emotionally to survive a crash landing on a deserted island.

Closed Wednesday and Thursday

Times and movies are subject to change.
For the most current information,
call 452-9441.



Sarah Jenkins, a Bitburg High School freshman, makes her first attempt in the long jump Saturday. She took second place in the field event.

Tech. Sgt. Rich Romero

BHS track stars qualify for Europeans in opener

By Ross Calvert
Bitburg High School track coach

Three Bitburg High School track stars qualified for the European track and field finals Saturday after competing in only the first meet of the season at Ramstein High School.

Senior Quinton Shackelford qualified in both the 400-meter dash and the 300-meter hurdles. Sophomore Catherine Butel qualified for the 1,500-meter run and freshman Sarah Jenkins qualified in the triple jump.

Qualifying standards are based upon the average of fourth place performance distances and times in previous finals tournaments.

For the first meet of the season, the girls' team placed third in a six-school competition that included the much larger Division I schools of Ramstein and Kaiserslautern. The boys' team did even better by slightly outscoring K-Town to take second place in the six-way meet.

Though each Bitburg team failed to enter contestants in about a dozen events, the performances in the remaining events earned enough points to place comparatively well as the results showed.

The girls' sprint medley relay team made up of Butel, Jenkins, Holly McClure and Erica Shipp earned the only first place finish. Their time of 5:01.2 missed the qualifying

mark by 1.2 seconds. They will have another chance to qualify at the next meet, which will be held April 21 at Bitburg High School.

One of the three Bitburg Middle School members of the team, seventh-grader Meghan Hunsicker, would have placed third in both the 1,500 and 3,000 had she been in high school. Middle school athletes compete in an exhibition status and can't contribute to the team's score.

Eddie McCormick who placed second in the high jump and Shackelford who tied for second in the 200 had some of the other top performances in the boy's events. Shackelford also had a third place finish in the 400, Jean Paul Archambeault in the 1,500, Justin Slone in the shot put and McCormick, Archambeault, Ernest Burr and Brian Howard in the sprint medley relay.

For the girls, Butel placed second in both the 1,500 and 3,000, Jenkins took second in both the long jump and the triple jump and McClure took third in the 300 hurdles.

Previous track coaches at Bitburg have tried to log the up to 50 best performances in each event. The school's records go back to 1970 for the boys, and to 1974 for the girls. Ten of the team members posted results Saturday that placed them in the top 50, many in multiple events.

Volleyball teams reach tourney championships

Women take first, men second

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany — The U.S. Air Forces in Europe women's and men's volleyball teams captured first and second place, respectively, at this year's Allied Air Forces North volleyball championships in Denmark.

The tournament, held at Karup Air Station March 5-8, pitted teams from the NATO alliance for bragging rights as best in AIRNORTH.

For the first time, women were invited to compete in the annual event, and the USAFE women's team responded by going undefeated in tournament play. USAFE captured the first-ever women's title with consecutive wins over the Netherlands (25-18, 26-24), Britain (25-19, 25-19) and Denmark (25-5, 25-15).

The Danish decision to include women's teams in the AIRNORTH volleyball championship "was an experiment to get an idea of how many women's teams could be fielded by the allied nations," said Tom Burkett, chief of command sports, headquarters USAFE services.

Germany will sponsor the tournament in 2002, said Burkett. "They will determine the make-up of the championships and whether a women's tournament will be held next year."

Belgium is expected to field a team, and, if the Germans do the same, "we may expect to have an authorized AIRNORTH women's championship next year," Burkett added.

The seven teams competing in the men's tourney also included Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands, Great Britain, Poland, and Denmark.

The USAFE men's team finished second, taking the first set before losing to Germany in the championship finals: 31-33, 25-21, 25-10, and 25-18. This was the best finish ever for a USAFE men's team. No previous team had finished higher than fifth in the event. (USAFE News Service)

Eifel Sports World

High school soccer

The Bitburg Lady Barons high school soccer team destroyed Allied Forces North 5-0 Saturday. The team is 2-0 on the season.

While the team started slow, Wes Canada scored two goals and Jessica McDonnell added another within six minutes nearly mid-way through the first half.

Canada added another goal in the second half for a hat trick.

The team takes a break from competition until April 28, when it hosts Supreme Headquarters Allied Forces Europe at home.

Golf

The Icebreaker Golf Tournament takes place at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Spangdahlem Air Base golf course.

Teams consist of four people, 18-hole select shot. Cost is \$10 per person plus green fees. Call 452-6821.

Spring break events

■Youth sports offers a free baseball clinic 9-11 a.m. for youth ages 9-12 on Falcon Field and 1-3 p.m. for ages 13-18 on Bigs Field Monday through April 13. For



Airman 1st Class Michelle Roquid

Strength training

Health and Wellness Center fitness program manager Melissa Lindstrom shows a Women of Iron class the proper way to do a vertical chest press in the Spangdahlem Air Base fitness center. The next Women of Iron class takes place at 2 p.m. April 26. Call 452-9355 to register.

more information, call 452-6729.

■Eifel Lanes offers discount glo-bowling for youth 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday. For details, call 452-6217.

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■Fitness 101, a class teaching how to design personal fitness programs, takes place at 10 a.m. Thursday.

■Women of Iron, a class teaching weight-training basics, takes place at 2 p.m. April 26.

■Weight Training 101, a strength-training course, takes place at 2 p.m. Thursday.

■A two-session stress management class takes place at 3 p.m. April 10 and 24.

All classes meet at the Health and Wellness Center in Spangdahlem Air Base building 192. Call 452-9355 for details or to register.

Wrestling

Youth interested in joining the Bitburg Wrestling Club should call Ethan Lake at 452-7834 for details.

Crud tournament

A Crud tournament takes place at 7 p.m. April 20 in the Spang Club lounge. The 52nd Logistics Group holds the commander's category title and the 23rd Fighter Squadron are the open category champions. The event is open to officers and civilian-equivalent members. Call 452-7494 for details.